Biosecurity at Events

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Biosecurity objective - why?

Awareness

Threat incoming or outgoing

INNS or pathogen

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Biosecurity objective – how?

- Chemicals – pathogen only
- Foot brush – soil removal INNS/pathogen
- Spray/hose – wash away INNS/pathogen
Can you deliver your biosecurity objective?

Partners

• Shared objective
• Agree accountabilities
• Event organisers aware of role
• History and issues at previous events
• Anticipate audience interpretation

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Can you deliver your biosecurity objective?

Location
- Dispersal of competitors
- Footfall
- Available space
- Drainage
- Health and safety

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Can you deliver your biosecurity objective?

Water and power availability?

- Tap proximity
  - Sole usage
  - Alternatives – bowsers
  - Do NOT usage watercourse water

- Power proximity
  - 16amp & certified
  - Alternatives – generators
Can you deliver your biosecurity objective?

Standard of competition

- Travelling from ... known risks
- Specialist equipment
- Competitors and facilities

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Can you deliver your biosecurity objective?

Cancel or hold event elsewhere

- Need to deliver
- What are the risks, if you fail?
- Is it manageable?
- Do you have finance/manning

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Biosecurity equipment

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Biosecurity equipment

- Dipping buckets
  - Purpose – submerge item in bucket to:
    - Cleanse in a chemical/detergent
    - Assist in removing heavy soiling
    - NOT for final wash
  - Hot water, 45° C
  - Changing water
  - Disposal of water
  - Chemical H&S
Biosecurity equipment

• Spraying
  • Purpose – wash off with water
    • Boats, nets, clothing
  • Low power jet
  • Security whilst spraying
  • Water run off
  • Process through wash point
  • Be aware of “loose” items
  • Drain plugs
Biosecurity equipment

• Brushing
  • Purpose – dry or wet brush off
  • Removal of soil & vegetation
  • Water does help
  • Cleaning of brushes afterwards

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Biosecurity equipment

• Showers
  • Purpose – to wash off clothing
  • Keep clothing on
  • Drainage important
  • Non slip surface
  • Self managed

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• Other equipment's

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Biosecurity equipment

• Health and Safety
  • General event
  • Manual handling
  • Water
  • Electric
  • Noise
  • Fuel
  • Chemicals
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Paddle sports

- Multiple categories and disciplines
  - Costs, shapes and sizes
  - Large amount of clothing/equipment
- Clean arrival / soak away arrival wash down
- Logistics often difficult, fresh water
- Costly equipment's
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Runners and walkers inc. dogs

- Variety distances
- What is on route
- Personal clothing & footwear
  - Minimal equipment
- Clean arrival rule
- Mud runs!
- Logistics varied
- Less equipment needed
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Angling

- Multiple categories and disciplines
  - Large amount of equipment's
- Clean dry arrival
- Logistics often difficult, fresh water
- Generally pathogen focussed

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Questions and demo